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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 3, 2004, in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

A one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

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Comments:

Examiner Bala -

Thank you for your recent helpful discussion regarding the above-identified matter.  
Here is a courtesy copy of an Amendment, which was filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as a result of our recent discussion.

Thank you,  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- [ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- [ ] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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**Petition for Extension of Time**

Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time to respond to the Office Action dated November 3, 2004 for one month from February 3, 2005 to March 3, 2005. The appropriate fee of \$120 is included in the enclosed check.

A [ ] month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated [ ] was filed on [ ] with payment of a \$[ ] fee

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A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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On February 10, 2005, in a telephonic interview between Applicant's Attorney and the Examiner, it was agreed that amendment of claims 15-29 to pharmaceutical composition claims would overcome the corresponding rejections of record.

Please amend the application as follows: